

HICKORY TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MONTHLY MEETING  
**April 1, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting of the Hickory Township Board of Supervisors held at the Hickory Township Municipal Building was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Kathleen Abranovich immediately followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisors Present: Kathleen Abranovich - Chairperson  
William Dean  
Michael Hall

Staff Present: Jason Medure, Esquire – Solicitor  
Ptlm. Joseph Sager – Hickory Twp. Police Dept.

Other Attendees: Thomas McCormick, Sr. Richard Alley  
Tom Houston Jon Sweet  
Gary Finley Gerald A. Lombardo, Sr.  
Keith Hall

Motion made by Supervisor Abranovich and seconded by Supervisor Hall to accept the minutes from the March 4, 2019 regular meeting without correction. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s report for the month of March was given. Motion made by Supervisor Hall, seconded by Supervisor Abranovich to pay current bills, payroll and all incoming regular bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

The March police report was offered by Ptlm. Joseph Sager: 23 traffic stops; 18 property checks; 3 domestics; 2 endangering the welfare of children; 5 alarms; 1 motor vehicle crash; 1 ATV complaint; 1 erratic driver; 4 suspicious activity; 1 welfare check; 11 miscellaneous incidents (administrative, details, assists).

**Building Permits – February**

Applicant	Address	Proposed Improvement	Fee
Brian K. Pagley & Casey Shabler	1876 LaClair Drive	2-story house w/ attached garage	\$897.10
Gas Light Sales	203 Independence Lane	Mobile home	\$294.50
Gas Light Sales	203 Independence Lane	Mobile home	\$274.50

**Public Comments:** There were multiple resident complaints about zoning and junk ordinance violations, as follows:

1. Gerald Lombardo, Sr.: disarray and collection of unregistered vehicles on the Mike Dillow property;
2. Jon Sweet: junk collection on the William Klein property; and
3. Gary Finley: junk, vehicles, etc. on the Sipe, Floyd and Cook properties

All complaints will be forwarded to Zoning Officer, David McCallister for further investigation and action.

Mr. Sweet voiced concern as to why some supervisors were working a 40-hour week when the budget is so tight.

**Old Business:** Supervisor Dean gave a report on the status of the dirt and gravel road grant applications.

Recycling: Hickory Twp. agreed to host a Special Drop-Off recycling for select materials on October 8, 2019. Details will follow once confirmation from the Lawrence-Mercer Recycling/Solid Waste Department confirms the date remains open.

**New Business:** A motion to approve the Richard Christopher subdivision contingent upon approval by the City of New Castle was made by Supervisor Abranovich, seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution #10, 2019 approving an Employee Policy Manual was made by Supervisor Abranovich, seconded by Supervisor Hall. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution #11, 2019 approving a Police Policy Manual, post review by Solicitor Medure, was made by Supervisor Abranovich, seconded by Supervisor Dean. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Cell Tower Ordinance amendment was explained. The ordinance will be advertised for a vote at the May meeting. A Motion to table the ordinance for the May meeting was made by Supervisor Abranovich, seconded by Supervisor Hall. A public meeting will be held prior to the May 6, 2019 meeting at 6:30 permitting anyone having objection to voice their concerns.

The Lawrence County Fair Board has requested two police officers for foot patrol at the NTPA Truck and Tractor Pull on June 15, 2019. A motion was made by Supervisor Hall and seconded by Supervisor Dean to approve the requested police services. The Fair will be invoiced for any associated police services based upon the participating officer's regular hourly wage plus the employer shares of both the social security and medicare taxes. All in favor. Motion carried.

It was announced that the Spring Convention of the Lawrence County Township Association of Township Officials will be held on May 15, 2019 at the Wurtemberg/Perry Township Fire Hall.

A quarterly budget meeting was scheduled for April 24, 2019 to review the status of the 2019 budget. The meeting will be advertised and open to the public.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dean, seconded by Supervisor Hall to sign the dirt and gravel grant contract as soon as it is ready, in the interest of avoided delay in project commencement. All in favor. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion about projected road repairs for 2019. On the list of review are Justin Lane, Michael Lane, Sunview Drive and LaClair Drive. Potential work for these projects would consist of base repair, drainage, leveling and sealing. Fairground Road drainage near the Reiter Farm was also mentioned.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hall, seconded by Supervisor Abranovich to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Motion carried.

An executive session was held immediately after the meeting to discuss personnel matters.